GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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REFUND OF DUTY DRAWBACKS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to make ``merchant exporters` also eligible for refunds of higher rates of duty drawbacks on exports;

(b) if so, the export items which would gain from this new policy; and

(c) the extent to which the Government would be able to reverse the downward trend of exports from India?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a), (b) & (c) : All Industry Rates of Duty Drawback are formulated by averaging the data furnished by the Export Promotion Councils in respect of the duties suffered on the inputs used in the manufacture of the export products. No differentiation is made for any class of exporters regarding admissibility of these rates. The question of the Government deciding to make merchant exporters eligible for higher duty drawback rates does not arise.